

Baxter Springs News.

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GENERAL COMMENTS.

CHINA seems to be on the eve of a revolution. China should go slow in the matter. She has been running in ruts for so many centuries that anything in the nature of a revolution might result fatally.

THE Princeton university opens very strong. The classes will include 1,000 students in the university, 300 in the preparatory, and 100 in the preparatory school, and there will be 100 members in the classes for ladies in Evelyn college.

ONE of Mrs. Maybrick's influential friends in this country is Mrs. Blaine, who has done her utmost to secure the pardon of the alleged poisoner of her husband, and condemned to life imprisonment in England.

A STRIKING feature of the numerous railroad wrecks occurring almost daily now is that nearly every one is due to somebody's carelessness. This sort of carelessness deserves hemp treatment, and the sooner it gets it the better for the traveling public.

WALTER CAMP, Yale's expert in the theory and practice of football, is writing an illustrated book on "American Football." Mr. Camp was a graduate of 1880, and lives in New Haven. His annual coaching of the 'varsity team is of the greatest value to that eleven.

STANLEY, the explorer and poor lecturer, takes an old fashioned view of the retirement and seclusion of the wife. He says a man's wife is too sacred for the world to know and discuss, hence he is not willing to have his wife paint, publish a book or in any way attract public attention.

A NEW carpet is being made for the Church of Le Cœur de Jesus, Montmartre, in Paris, by some Parisian ladies. It will cost \$4,000, and the names of the workers are to be embroidered around the border. The center represents Montmartre, while above are to be the arms of the city of Paris.

THE man who has done wrong and has had to suffer for it receives some honor in Turkey. A Mussulman having served his term in prison is regarded almost as a saint, no matter as to the crime for which he had been condemned. For a Mohammedan to say that he has been confined in prison is to make a claim upon the respect and admiration of his fellow believers.

THE New York Evening Post says: Who shall fill the gaps left by Longfellow, Emerson and Lowell, not to mention that of our own Bryant, their contemporary and equal? Who shall sit in the chairs soon to be empty, of Homes and Whittier? Is the world's tone changing? Is poetry dying? Will England find anybody to wear the laurels of Browning and Tennyson? These are questions that everybody is asking and that nobody can answer.

A VERY formidable war vessel is about to fly Uncle Sam's colors. She is the monitor Miantonomoh, much altered from her original design as built just after the war. She is 250 feet long, and carries in two double turrets four ten-inch rifle guns, the most effective ship guns we have yet turned out. She is belted with twelve and one-half inches of steel and iron, and sits low in the water. She is intended for harbor defense, and will justify confidence in her ability to make a good fight against the strongest iron clad that can be sent against her. She has two amiable sisters, the Puritan and Terror, who will also in good time go into commission.

RUSSIA announces in advance the probability of another famine in 1892. The winter crops for next year are already sown, but the acreage is small, farmers being unwilling to put back into the ground for a new crop grain for which starving multitudes are clamoring. In addition to that a worm has been playing havoc with the tender shoots of the plants, and the weather has been unfavorable for germination. The calamities resulting from adverse natural conditions are terrible at best, but when a people have to suffer continuously from a tyrannical and exacting government like Russia, the horrors of crop failures and insufficient food supplies are increased a hundred fold.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Happenings of a Week

DOMESTIC.

Near Shawneetown, Ill., Mrs. Robert White shot and killed Miss Belle Jamison.

There are rumors of an impending general strike on Kansas City street car lines.

Several schemes to limit the ownership of land are being adopted among the Cherokees.

Rev. Frank Talmage lectured at the Ottumwa coal palace on "The best place to live in."

Henrietta Miller, colored, was hanged at Smithville, Va., for the murder of her child.

Two women were killed and a third fatally injured in a runaway accident at Marietta, Ga.

A verdict of not guilty was rendered in the Buck Donaldson murder case at Denton, Tex.

A former Siberian exile is to bear dispatches from Boston to Nihilist headquarters in Russia.

Prisoners in the Gadsden (Ala.) jail almost succeeded in hanging a deputy sheriff inside the prison.

A dime museum freak, known as "the living man with the broken neck," attempted suicide in Milwaukee.

A small subterranean lake near Waverly, Ill., disappeared immediately after the recent earthquake.

John W. Mackay rode from San Francisco to New York in 4 days, 12 hours and 28 minutes, the fastest on record.

There was another sensation in the famous Juyenal case when that individual appeared in court with his divorced wife.

Mrs. Catharine Heath burned herself to death in Salem, Mass., because someone dilled her pug dog and sent its collar to her.

Kalph Ray, who murdered his mother in Durango, Colo., has confessed, giving details with no show of remorse.

New York detectives have succeeded in locating the underground home of a gang of thieves. It was located in the rear of a West Thirty-ninth street house.

Objection is raised to the statue of Jefferson Davis designed to be placed in the confederate monument at Jackson, Miss., that it is not a good likeness.

Marion Gadd committed suicide at Cotner university, Neb., because he did not win first prize in an oratorical contest and thereby lost the hand of the girl he loved.

A West Virginia baby a month old weighs only two and a quarter pounds and goes into a quart cup.

President Fitzgerald and Secretary Sutton will sever their official connection with the Irish land league.

All efforts to extinguish the fire in the Delaware and Hudson colliery at Wilkesbarre, Pa., has proven fruitless.

The decision of his bondsmen to give up ex-Dashier Ritter, the Evansville (Ind.) defaulter caused him to become very ill.

A party of Burlington and Missouri surveyors are supposed to have perished in the mountains in the Stinking Water country.

Special dispatches show that the recent earthquake was felt in the states Missouri, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and Iowa.

At Henderson, Ky., Mrs. Emma Herkins was shot dead by Charles Johnson, a former boarder, who had been sent away for objectionable conduct.

Henry Walters of East Orange, N. J., a married man, wanted to elope with Gertrude Beck of Newark, but she found his wife and had him arrested.

The steamer Circassian, outward bound from New York, collided with a schooner and was so badly damaged that she was compelled to return to port.

A California rauchman named Wilson, who found himself surrounded by flames was saved by the pluck of a mustang pony, which carried him through the flames to safety.

James R. Cunningham was shot dead in the streets of Montgomery, Ala., by Colonel Bradford Dunham, superintendent of the Midland railroad, for having insulted Mrs. Dunham and boasted of it.

Miss Cora Cahn, daughter of a New York Hebrew millionaire, having denounced Judaism, will marry Herr Oscar von Calm, aide-de-camp to the hereditary successor of Emperor Francis Joseph.

The product of the coal mines in the census year amounted, in value, to \$160,327,323.

William Dyne goes to the Indiana penitentiary for five years for attempted train wrecking.

Granville G. Thompson was found dead on his porch at Macon, Mo., with a bullet hole in his head.

David Roe was stabbed and probably fatally wounded in sturges county, Missouri, by S. P. Hopper.

Chris Buckley, who for twelve years has been the democratic boss of California, is a fugitive from justice.

The trial of James Brennan for the murder of Sam Wood will take place at Hugoton, Kas., November 4.

A committee of the national civil service reform league will criticize the taking of the census in New York.

Twenty-one deaths from malignant typhoid fever occurred in the neighborhood of Columbus, Ind., in eighteen days.

A mob of fifty white caps beat a woman nearly to death in Dubois county, Ind. Her morals were offensive to them.

The Thornton "castaways" are back at Brooklyn and their tale of woe is believed by the family, who welcomed them with effusion.

James Gray, the convict serving a life sentence in the Chester penitentiary for a murder committed by Jacob Brown, refuses to reveal his identity.

According to the Chicago News there is practically no corn of the old crop to be bought by legitimate dealers in this country on account of the manipulations of professional gamblers.

At the cabinet meeting Monday President Harrison and his advisors are believed to have considered the statements of Minister Egan and Captain Schley relative to recent occurrences in Chili. They also discussed the riots against foreigners in China.

Argument is in progress in the superior court in Indianapolis, Ind., in the case of Philip C. Decker, president of the German bank of Evansville, charged with contempt of the state board of tax commissioners in not furnishing a list of depositors to the board.

In the London grain market foreign wheat is steadier, though prices are against sellers.

Butter is in fair demand on the Elgin board of trade; 7,200 pounds sold at 25 cents, against 23 cents one year ago.

Masked men gained entrance to the Choyenne, Wyo., jail by strategy, and liberated two convicted murderers. One was recaptured.

John and Rube Elam, charged with the death of Mrs. Loooper at Woodbury, Tenn., on the night of May 14, were arrested at Hillsboro, Texas, and will be taken back.

Frank Hannah's boy was fatally mangled by a hog at Beloit, Wis.

At Topeka, Kas., a warrant has issued for the arrest of Rev. John D. Knox, charged with embezzling \$100 while acting as president of the Knox Banking and Investment company.

Fire destroyed the Cedar Beach hotel at Lake Wawasee, Ind. Loss \$12,000; insurance \$7,090.

The Central Trust company of New York has been appointed a receiver of the Chicago house of S. V. White & Co., to assist the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, which had previously been appointed.

Deputy Sheriff B. H. Melton of Gadsden, Ala., was overpowered by five convicts, who hanged him, but he was cut down by officers before life was extinct.

Drexel, Morgan & Co. of New York, received over \$2,000,000 in subscriptions Monday to the new Union Pacific notes, making the total subscription \$6,300,000, or \$700,000 more than was required.

Upon covering by shorts of September contracts, coffee advanced sixty points Monday at New York, selling at 14.05 cents, against 13.45 cents Saturday evening.

Last Saturday the visible supply of grain was: Wheat, 26,861,527 bushels; increase, 2,317,923 bushels. Corn, 8,887,009 bushels; decrease, 362,326 bushels.

White & Allen, dry goods merchants at Lampasas, Tex., have made an assignment. Liabilities \$45,000; assets \$30,000.

Captain Gustavus A. Hall, U. S. A., retired, died Sunday evening of pneumonia at San Francisco. He was born at Fredonia, N. Y., April 18, 1827.

The annual convention of the American Bankers' association will be held at New Orleans November 11 and 12, instead of October 14 and 15, as first announced.

As a result of the recent experiments with smokeless powder, Emperor William has ordered all steel or ornamented helmets of soldiers replaced by cloth caps of a design not yet decided upon.

The checker championship games, twenty-five in all, with fifteen openings, were concluded in the rooms of the Chicago Chess and Checker club.

The final score was: Baker, 5; Reed, 0; drawn, 21. Charles F. Barker of Boston, the winner of the tournament, defeated J. P. Reed of Chicago for a purse of \$1,000.

Lena Dohbert arrived at New York a few days ago and was refused permission to land because she had neither husband, guardian or money. Carl Vanhoff of Milwaukee, offered to marry her by proxy, but that wouldn't work, and she will be sent back to Germany.

Dave Thrash settled a debt of \$1.25 which he owed Wm. Dimaney, by fatally stabbing him at Galveston, Tex.

Andrew Anderson, Martin Nelson and an unknown man were drowned by the capsizing of a boat near Madeline Island, Wis.

Late advices from Nicaragua indicate that the reports of revolution in that country were the product of imaginative special correspondents.

The Peninsula and Occidental company's steamship, home, at Greenock, Scotland, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$175,000.

John Long, a freight conductor, was struck by the spout of a water tank at Hallville, Tex., knocked off the train and instantly killed.

Tom O'Brien, the all-round crook and confidence man, is in the clutches of the New York police for buncoing a man out of \$10,000.

John Topyrel was shot and killed by a huckster who caught him in the act of stealing apples from his farm near Kansas City.

General Boulanger, the noted French leader, committed suicide at the grave of his former mistress on the 30th ult. He had been melancholy for some time, but his friends were not aware that he contemplated suicide.

Wheat receipts at Duluth aggregate nearly three million bushels per week.

Lawrence Leslie was run over and killed by an east bound freight on the "Frisco" road, near Carthage, Mo., while attempting to jump it for a ride.

Mr. Dorset of Tarrant county, Texas, passed through Denton in quest of his runaway wife and hired man, with whom she is supposed to have eloped.

A misplaced switch at Columbus, Wis., caused the wreck of sixteen cars of the Milwaukee & St. Paul road, and the death of brakeman Spicketover.

George Lewis was run over and killed by a freight train on the Louisville & Nashville road, while asleep on the track near Robert's Station, Ky.

Michael Bianco, an impetuous son of Italy, is in the New York Tombs for shooting at Annie Blondi because she refused to marry him.

Last week the private coach Grassmere, containing John W. Mackey and party, reached New York, four days, twelve hours and forty-eight minutes from San Francisco, the fastest time across the continent ever made.

Hon. J. A. Henneman, mayor of Spartanburg, S. C., was shot and killed by a negro whom he attempted to arrest. The negro is in jail, but will probably be lynched.

The Yankee schooner Daylight smashed ten feet of the starboard bow of the ocean steamer Circassia, in a collision, obliging the Circassia to put back to New York for repairs.

READY TO SELL.

Cherokees are Willing to Dispose of the Outlet.

TAHLEQUAH, I. T. SEPTEMBER 6.—It is no longer a question of doubt that negotiations will be renewed by the United States government for Cherokee surplus lands this coming session of the Cherokee council. Senator Butler, chairman of the senate committee on the five civilized tribes, has written a letter to his kinsman, ex-Chief D. W. Bushyhead, and informs him that the senate committee will visit the Cherokee capital some time in November, during the session of the council, for the purpose of investigating various matters that are likely to figure in the next congress.

This committee will make no attempt at negotiations, but simply ascertain the sentiment of the Cherokees on land selling. From the tone of the senator's letter one would conclude that the Cherokee commission will follow the senate committee, and open negotiations for a sale of the Cherokee outlet.

It is rumored that Chief Mayes has also information of the coming commission, but no official announcement has been made from the executive office as yet. Characteristic of the man, Chief Mayes says very little in a private conversation of his views on the questions of national importance. His most intimate friends and those associated daily with him say he favors a sale of the outlet to the United States at a fair price, and that he will so recommend in his annual message to the council on the first Tuesday in November.

A great change has come over the Cherokees since Green's decision was rendered against them. They are mostly despondent, and a majority of them are anxious to sell and pocket the proceeds.

The Cherokee Strip.

TAHLEQUAH, October 6.—From an official communication just received at this place from Senator Butler, it is learned that a senate committee will visit Tahlequah in November for the purpose of ascertaining the sentiment of the Cherokees in regard to the sale of the strip. A short time ago the committee wrote Mr. Mayes a letter asking to be informed of the feeling of the Cherokees in reference to a sale. The letter was answered by the chief, who said that several matters, including the troublesome intruder question, would have to be adjusted before the Cherokees would begin entering on negotiations with the government for the relinquishment of their right to the Cherokee strip.

To this answer Senator Butler, who is chairman of the senatorial committee, has just replied that the conditions would be complied with as near as possible by the government, and that the Cherokee commission would visit the Cherokee nation on the 1st of November for the purpose, after which they will again resume negotiations for the strip. There is but little doubt as to a settlement among the Cherokees in favor of a sale of the strip, and if the intruder question is settled, the sale will be made without further trouble, and probably at a price not higher than has been offered, \$1.20 per acre. Judge Green's decision that the Cherokees have no title or right to the strip has been strongly condemned by the Cherokees, and has created considerable interest throughout this country, yet it has seemingly not weakened the intelligent Cherokees as to their rights to that land, and it is thought will cut no figure in the coming negotiations.

CHICAGO'S HISTORIC CANNON.

A Gun that Was Used to Threaten Columbus' Son 389 Years Ago.

WASHINGTON, October 6.—On the way to Chicago at the present moment is an old cannon with a history. When F. A. Ober, the special commissioner to the West Indies, was at Santo Domingo, his attention was called to a large cannon lying half way buried on the banks of the Dzama river. It lay beneath the bluff on which stands the great castle, the Homenaje, the oldest castle now standing in America.

The city council called the commissioner's attention to it and declared that its history was second only in interest to that of the city itself. When Don Diego Colon, the son of Columbus, was sent out with his titled wife Marie Doledo, to govern the island of Santo Domingo, he began the erection of a grand palace (the ruins of which may still be seen on the right bank of the Ozama) which gradually assumed the appearance and proportions of a fortress, rather than a gubernatorial residence. The city authorities fearing that Don Diego would seek to trench himself in his castle and defy the King of Spain, mounted some cannon in a fortification hastily erected, and warned Don Diego that he was subject to their commands.

The fortress finally fell to ruins and the cannon, one by one, tumbled over the bank, and now, after lying 389 years beneath the walls of ancient Santo Domingo, this piece of rusty ordnance turns up in Chicago, perhaps to send up a salute to the memory of the great Columbus, whose son it was once used to threaten.

PAID FOR IN ONE YEAR.

Farmers in the West in Remarkably Good Luck.

Dun & Co. Make Still Another Bright Report Concerning Business—Trade Good in Every Particular.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

In the business of the country no reaction appears, nor are there signs of discouragement. In very many cases farmers will realize on the wheat grown this year more than the entire cost of their farms. Unseasonable hot weather has for the time retarded some trades, but a change is already noticed. It is also a most encouraging fact that these favorable conditions have produced as yet no speculative excitement or craze such as often prepares the way for a swift and disastrous reaction. It is fortunate for the country that apprehension of financial difficulty this fall has powerfully restrained the speculative tendency.

Boston reports a closer money market and satisfactory trade. At Philadelphia money is in fair demand, though there is complaint in trade as to slow collections. At Baltimore the shoe trade exceeds last year's. At Cleveland trade in dry goods and clothing has been retarded by the weather, but other trade has been good, and at Cincinnati some improvement is seen in the shoe trade.

At Chicago some increase is seen in receipts of corn, oats and cheese, an eighth in cattle, a third in wool, and wheat receipts are five times and rye receipts eight times last year's, but decrease appears of a half in lard, a third in cured meats, and a fifth in barley.

At St. Louis trade and manufactures are active and money close. At Minneapolis and St. Paul business is good and money advancing, and at Kansas City and Denver improvement is seen. At all points reporting from the south trade is improving except at Savannah, where the great strike suspends the movement of cotton.

In spite of several more circulars advising farmers to hold their wheat, the price has declined about 1 cent. Corn has advanced 2 cents and oats 1½ cents, and while cotton is unchanged in price, pork products have changed but a trifle, and cotton and oil are a little lower. There is more perplexity than usual regarding the yield of cotton, but the most conservative estimates conclude that a large decrease in the product is probable, making a market for the heavy stocks which were brought over from last year.

Sales of dry goods are large in the aggregate, but in light weights far below last year's, and many looms are idle for the present. On the other hand there is a peculiar increase in the demand for heavy weights, and in dress goods sales are satisfactory, great improvement in quality being noticed. Cotton goods are a little less active, but print cloths are firm at three cents, and of prints some styles are an eighth or a quarter higher. Sales of knit goods are retarded by the weather, and hosiery is dull. Sales of wool at the different markets are 3 per cent below those of last year thus far.

Alcohol Sugar Process a Success.

MEDICINE LODGE, Kan., October 6.—The first strike under the alcohol process was made yesterday at the government experiment station at this place, and the result is even better than hoped for by Prof. Wiley, the discoverer of the alcohol extraction process, who has charge of the station. One hundred and fifty-six pounds of crystal sugar was obtained from a ton of Coleman cane, five times as much as obtained by the diffusion process, and it is anticipated that when the syrup is reboiled the amount per ton will be increased to 200 pounds. The official test made to-day by the government chemist shows an average of 94½ per cent. The result will be a most complete revolution in sugar manufacturing, and makes the profitable production of Kansas sorghum no longer a questionable experiment. Further tests will be made on the government farm here. The total product of the Eldred & Amman mill at this place to date is 250,000 pounds.

An Abandoned Babe.

LAWRENCE, Kas., Oct. 6.—An old colored woman named Harriet Lee found a baby in a basket on the Santa Fe track in the eastern part of town this morning. The infant was neatly dressed, and a change of clothes was in the basket. On its dress was pinned a note, neatly written with a lead pencil, and reading as follows:

"Dear friend, be good to her and give her a good home, and you will be well paid. Call her Daisy, for me. She was born the 5th of September."

The finding was turned over to the Associated charities.

Verdict Against the Big Four.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., October 6.—The case of the heirs of Dr. W. S. Bishop vs. the Big Four railroad was heard in the circuit court to-day, and a decision rendered in favor of the plaintiffs. Dr. Bishop, about a year ago, while returning from the national encampment of the Grand Army, stopped from the train and was instantly killed. The prosecution sued for \$10,000, and attempted to prove that the railroad company showed negligence in having opened the vestibule door through which the doctor walked out.

In Search of Her Husband.

KROOK, Ia., October 6.—Mrs. Eliza Ledbet of Springfield, Ill., came to Krook to-day on the hunt of her husband, John L. She claims the latter cruelly deserted herself and four children, and that he is being concealed by relatives here.